

THE HALL OF FAME FOR GREAT AMERICANS

CLARA BARTON --- NOMINEE

Barton, Clara, in full Clarissa Harlowe.
1821-1912. Founder of American Red Cross;
b. Oxford, Mass. Schoolteacher (1836-54);
Clerk in patent office, Washington, D. C.
(1854-61). During Civil War, Solicited
and distributed supplies for the wounded.
In Europe (1869-73), gave aid during Franco-
Prussian War, in association with Interna-
tional Red Cross, an organization created
by International Agreement at Geneva (1864).
Campaigned (1877-82) to have U.S. sign
Geneva agreement succeeded (1882), and became
first president (1882-1904) of American Red
Cross. Last years of her presidency embittered
by criticism of her management. Her works
include HISTORY OF THE RED CROSS (1882),
A STORY OF THE RED CROSS (1904), STORY OF MY
CHILDHOOD (1907).